

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners:

Robert G. Taub, Acting Chairman;
Tony Hammond, Vice Chairman;
Mark Acton; and
Nanci E. Langley

Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail Contract 50 (MC2013-26)
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2013-34

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF

(Issued December 21, 2015)

The negotiated service agreement approved in this proceeding (Existing Agreement) is set to expire January 2, 2016.¹ On December 18, 2015, the Postal Service filed a motion for temporary relief seeking to extend the expiration date of the Existing Agreement by 30 days.² The Postal Service states that because of the press of other business and the absence of key personnel over the upcoming holiday week, it will not be able to complete the necessary financial review and certification and file the successor contract in time for the Commission to be able to complete its review prior to January 2, 2016. *Id.*

¹ Docket Nos. MC2013-26 and CP2013-34, Order No. 1608, Order Adding Priority Mail Contract 50 to the Competitive Product List, January 2, 2013 at 5.

² Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, December 18, 2015, at 1 (Motion).

The Motion is granted. Based on its filing, the Postal Service appears to have been working in good faith to complete the new agreement in a timely manner. Temporary relief is in the public interest and will not prejudice any person. The Existing Agreement is modified to continue through February 1, 2016, or until a successor agreement is approved by the Commission, whichever occurs first.

It is ordered:

1. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, filed December 18, 2015, is granted.
2. The Existing Agreement will expire on February 1, 2016, or until a successor agreement is approved by the Commission, whichever occurs first.

By the Commission.

Stacy L. Ruble
Secretary